King County	Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention Adult Divisions General Policy Manual	
	Chapter 4 **Security and Use of Force**	
4.01.027, **Compelled Medication**	Approved By:	Director John Diaz
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Purpose
To establish the process by which medication is administered to an inmate who is unable or unwilling to voluntarily take prescribed medication.

Policy
Jail Health Services (JHS) may administer medications without the consent of the patient to compel psychotropic medication for the inmate when there is a court order, emergency, or as the result of an Involuntary Antipsychotic Medication Hearing.

References
Department Policies: 4.03.003, Electronic Control Devices
4.03.006, Pepper Spray
4.03.014, Use of Force
4.03.018, Taser CEW Conducted Energy Weapon

Department Forms: Officer Report
Supervisor's Incident Report

General Guidelines
1. Compelled medications shall be administered only:
   a. When there is a court order for involuntary antipsychotic medications.
   b. As part of administration after an Involuntary Antipsychotic Medication Hearing.
   c. When determined to be a medical emergency.
2. A JHS provider orders the medication. The order shall:
   a. Be written in compliance with any directives contained in the court order.
   b. Consistent with commonly accepted medical standards and practice.
   c. Specify both an oral psychotropic medication which should be offered first and an injectable psychotropic medication which shall be administered only after the inmate refuses the oral medication.
3. In the case of a court order, if the JHS provider's order requires changes or additions to the directives contained in the court order, which are contrary to the directives of the Court or in non-compliance with the Court, then an amended court order shall be entered before the administration of compelled medication.

Compelled Medications Procedure for Refusing Inmates

1. Upon continuing refusal of an inmate authorized to receive compelled medication per General Guidelines of this chapter, the RN will request the duty sergeant and shift commander be notified of the need for compelled medication and shall check for contraindications.
2. The administration of the involuntary compelled medication is an anticipated use of force and shall be conducted following department policy 4.03.014, Use of Force. Including a video record (may be recorded with department camera phone), supervisors incident report, and officer's reports documenting the administration of medication.
3. Compelled medication administration shall be performed in an area affording the most privacy and optimal safety.
4. The unit officer shall make a JMS shift log entry noting the administration of compelled medication.
5. Involved correctional staff shall submit an Officers Report or Supervisor Incident Report, when force is used, following department policy 4.03.014, Use of Force.